Balt. April 8th 1858.

Dear Brother,

I will again make an effort to convey news to you, by posting this letter in the Post Office of this City. If it fails to reach its destination, as several others must have done I shall feel sorry as I entertain a strong desire to hear from you as well as to give you information of me and family. Since you heard from me I have lived in Cumberland in this State at which place I had charge of a Foundry for about 3 Years. Eighteen months ago I quit that City to come and reside here, where I have purchased a small Foundry and am now carrying on business for myself. You will perceive, that we have been advancing a little in temporal matters, and I trust not less in Spiritual affairs. Trade as you are aware is extremely dull, and has been for several years, with but slight starts in the interim, and so I have experienced with others. I have, however, done well under such adverse circumstances, and am apprised therefore that in a lively, vigorous business revival, can make a comfortable living and spare a trifle for a rainy day. Both my two sons are with me at present. I trust you also, have experienced an improvement

in temporal affairs - I presume you have gotten your
Farm under a good State of Cultivation and added
to your Stock thereon - In your answer please to
give me full particulars - But the most important
information desired, is, as to whether you and family
have since last heard from you, enjoyed a good
share of Gods gracious blessings, Health and happi-
ness - Without these prosperity all else temporally
is insignificant. God has blessed us all, and our
hearts should rejoice earnestly in his love - God grant
that you and us may live in his fear and service and
that upon our departure from these scenes of Earth,
we may feel this assurance of a blessed immortality
in Heaven -

My wife and sons convey their ardent
love to you and all the family, and accept also
of mine

From Your Affectionate Brother

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